From: Brad Werth
To: Microsoft ATR
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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Dear Sir or Madam:

I earn my living as a software professional. Over the course of the last seven years, I have found my creative options more and more limited as Microsoft products dominate various parts of the software marketplace. My preferred operating system, database, word processor, and web browser have all inevitably been subverted by inferior Microsoft replacement products. In order to do my job I am quite literally forced to use Microsoft software which is less suited to my needs as a software developer. There is no choice in the software market.

The proposed DoJ and nine-state settlement will do nothing to remedy this situation. The original remedy proposed by the Clinton-era DoJ and the eighteen state Attorneys General would be much more effective. Please push for a breakup of Microsoft. I want to be able to choose the tools for my job.

Thank you,

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